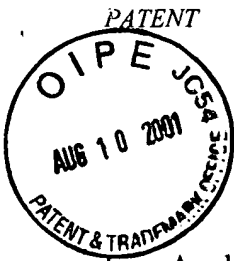


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## PETITION TO REQUEST ACCEPTANCE OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Dear Examiner:

Applicants filed a Utility Patent Application, 54 pp., with Certificate of Mailing by Express Mailing, Declaration and Power of Attorney, Formal Drawings, Figs. 1-11C, 13 pp., Preliminary Amendment, 2 pp., and IDS/PTO Form 1449 with 74 cited references on May 11, 2001. The Return Receipt Postcard, (copy enclosed), appears to indicate that the Formal Drawings were received by the US Patent Office. Entry of a duplicate set of the previously filed Formal Drawings is respectfully requested.

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Additionally, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the basic filing fee of \$710.00 and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h) to Deposit Account No. 50-0271. Order number 98-030-C1. The Assistant Commissioner is further authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for the submission of this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0271.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request that the original filing date of May 11, 2001 be accorded to this case, along with the acceptance of the Formal Drawings.

Furthermore, should an extension of time be required, please grant any extension of time which may be required to make this submission timely, and charge any fee for such an extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0271. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed for such purposes.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

August 8, 2001

Date

Respectfully submitted,



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